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Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 44-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 202—Los Angeles, CA Application for Subzone California Steel Industries, Inc. (Steel Mill Products) Fontana, CA

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles, California, grantee of FTZ 202, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the steel mill products manufacturing facilities of California Steel Industries, Inc. (CSI), in Fontana, California. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on May 24, 1996.

CSI is a joint venture of Kawasaki Steel Holdings (USA), Inc., subsidiary of Kawasaki Steel, Ltd. (Japan), and Rio Doce, Ltd., subsidiary of Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (Brazil).

The CSI steel mill (370 acres) is located at 14000 San Bernadino Avenue, Fontana, California, some 65 miles west of the Los Angeles harbor area. The facilities (1000 employees) consist of a hot-roll mill, cold-roll mill, pickling line, galvanizing mill, and pipe mill. They are used to produce hot- and cold-rolled steel sheet, galvanized sheet and iron or steel pipe (HTS #7206, #7208-7210). The primary material inputs are semifinished steel slabs (HTS #7207.12.0050). Currently some 80 percent of the slabs are purchased from foreign sources, though the company is considering the production of slabs on site as a long-term goal. Foreign materials would be admitted in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41). Some 4 percent of the finished steel mill products would be exported.

Zone procedures would exempt CSI from Customs duty payments on the foreign materials used in production for export (replacing duty drawback procedures). On domestic sales, the company would be able to defer

Customs duties until finished products are shipped from the plant. The company is also seeking an exemption from Customs duties on scrap and waste that result from the production process (approx. 4-6%). The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the international competitiveness in commodity-grade steel markets of a steel mill located in the western United States.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been appointed examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 5, 1996. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to [75 days from the date of publication]).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce District Office, 11000 Wilshire Blvd., Room 9200, Los Angeles, California 90024
Office of the Executive Secretary,
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: May 29, 1996.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,
Executive Secretary.

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[Order No. 825; Subzone 124A]

Revision of Grant of Authority; TransAmerican Natural Gas Corporation (Oil Refinery) Destrehan, LA

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) authorized subzone status at the oil refinery of TransAmerican Natural Gas Corporation, in Destrehan, Louisiana, in 1988, subject to conditions (Subzone 124A, Board Order 379, 53 FR 11539, 4/7/88);

Whereas, the South Louisiana Port Commission, grantee of FTZ 124, has

requested, pursuant to § 400.32(b)(1)(i), a revision (filed 3/25/96, A(32b1)-3-96; FTZ Doc. 39-96, assigned 5/8/96) of the grant of authority for FTZ Subzone 124A which would make its scope of authority identical to that recently granted for FTZ Subzone 199A at the refinery complex of Amoco Oil Company, Texas City, Texas (Board Order 731, 60 FR 13118, 3/10/95); and, Whereas, the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, acting for the Board pursuant to § 400.32(b)(1), concurring in the findings and recommendations of the FTZ Staff and Executive Secretary, approves the request;

Now therefore, subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including § 400.28, Board Order 379 is revised to replace the two conditions currently listed in the Order with the following conditions:

1. Foreign status (19 CFR 146.41, 146.42) products consumed as fuel for the refinery shall be subject to the applicable duty rate.
2. Privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41) shall be elected on all foreign merchandise admitted to the subzone, except that non-privileged foreign (NPF) status (19 CFR 146.42) may be elected on refinery inputs covered under HTSUS Subheadings #2709.00.1000-#2710.00.1050 and #2710.00.2500 which are used in the production of:

- petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products (FTZ staff report, Appendix B);
- products for export; and,
- products eligible for entry under HTSUS # 9808.00.30 and 9808.00.40 (U.S. Government purchases).

3. The authority with regard to the NPF option is initially granted until September 30, 2000, subject to extension.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of May 1996.

Paul L. Joffe,

Acting, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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[Docket 45-96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 70—Detroit, Michigan; Application for Subzone Status, Marathon Oil Company (Oil Refinery Complex), Wayne County, MI

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Greater Detroit Foreign